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For USE OF A LAYER CONSISTING OF HYDROPHOBIC, LINEAR OR TWO-DIMENSIONAL POLYCYCLIC AROMATICS AS A BARRIER LAYER OR AN ENCAPSULATION AND ELECTRIC COMPONENTS CONSTRUCTED WITH A LAYER OF THIS TYPE AND COMPRISING ORGANIC POLYMERS

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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

This preliminary amendment is being concurrently filed with a national stage filing made under 35 U.S.C. 371 from PCT/DE2004/001775. Prior to examination on the merits, and for consideration in calculation of the filing fee, please, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Abstract: A revised abstract is presented on page 2 of this amendment.

Amendments to the Specification: begin on page 3 of this amendment.

Amendments to the Claims: Amendments to the claims are indicated by the notation "currently amended" in the listing of claims beginning on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks: The "REMARKS" section begins on page 10 of this paper.